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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Craig McCarthy, et al.) Re: Preliminary Amendment
Serial No.: 10/763,732)
Filed: January 23, 2004)
Our Ref: B-5568CONT 951406-4)
For: "SECURE CONDUIT (PATHWAY))
SYSTEM FOR...") Date: December 20, 2004

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This paper is being filed as a Preliminary Amendment to the above-identified Application. Please amend the above-identified application as described below. **All amendments and remarks herein are made without prejudice.**

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 3 of this paper.